From The President

Dear Neighbors:

What a difference a year makes! Last January, the cover of this newsletter carried the ominous headline "The Future of the Neighborhood's Library" over an article which noted that a building which had served Crescent Hill residents as a library since 1908 faced the distinct possibility of being closed.

Today, that building stands on the verge of its greatest improvement since 1908. Funds are in place for a $637,000 construction and renovation project for the library - and construction could begin this spring. The project includes accessibility for those with disabilities, critical repairs, major renovations, a new addition and a rear entrance to the building.

Just like last January, this newsletter contains several articles on the library. But this year the news is good. Editor **Karen Clark** has written about the library's history and architecture. On page 5, we've listed items needed for the expanded library, and their approximate costs, to assist in the private fundraising for the project.

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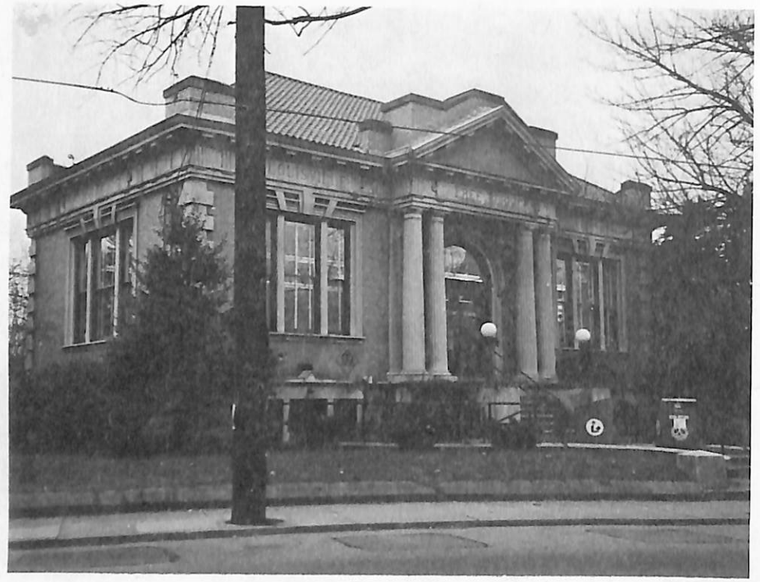
A big thank you to **Joann Walker-** and **Louise Page** for coordinating the refreshments at the Crescent Hill Community Council's annual holiday party for the neighborhood. And thanks to **Ruth Abraham** for lining up the entertainment. We couldn't put on events like the Holiday Open House without the hard work of volunteers like Joann, Louise and Ruth - and all of the people who assisted them or contributed treats.

Bill Hollander

Crescent Hill's Library
A Neighborhood Landmark



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The Crescent Hill Branch Library was originally designed by the local architectural firm of **Thomas & Bohne** in 1908 for a cost of $26,215. The Beaux-Arts style building was one of nine Carnegie endowed libraries in Louisville, and it was one of the first branches constructed after the Main Branch.

Sallie T. Berryman was the head librarian at the Crescent Hill Branch Library for 30 years and was quite a civic leader. Berryman is credited with creating the first story hour at the branches in Crescent Hill. Several boy's and girl's clubs and civic groups were organized at the Crescent Hill Branch under Ms. Berryman's direction, including the first Campfire Girls' group in the south. Ms. Berryman was also responsible for turning the Crescent Hill Branch into a neighborhood meeting house for a child health clinic and several adult civic groups. Berryman founded what is known today as the Crescent Hill Woman's Club.

Berryman believed that the librarian's role was that of a subtle educator, and she strived to prepare her young readers to become self-sufficient members of the community.

The Crescent Hill Branch Library has a long history of influence on the growth of the Crescent Hill neighborhood.

PROJECT PICKUP NEW SCHEDULE

Dear Crescent Hill Neighbor:

You know how it is! You put it off and put it off until it becomes impossible to wait any longer. You have to clean out the garage or the attic. But what do you do with all that stuff?

PROJECT PICKUP to the rescue. Beginning January 1, 1993, Louisville's junk and trash collection program, known as **PROJECT PICKUP**, will begin a new and improved schedule. In reviewing the program, the City discovered that most residents don't have three items to get rid of every month. Instead, most people have several items to put out a few times a year. So to better serve the community, junk and trash will now be collected **FOUR TIMES** a year with **NO LIMIT** to the number of items from each household.

A new additional service will also begin January 1. Your regular garbage collection crews will pick up junk items which can fit in garbage cans or plastic bags. Each bag or can must weigh less than 60 pounds.

The new **PROJECT PICKUP** schedule has several pluses:

- All your junk can be collected at one time instead of being limited to three items per month.
- Neighborhoods will look neater with junk on the streets and alleys less often.
- Enforcement officers can better control improper junk set out.

By now you should have received your personal copy of the new schedule and guidelines for **PROJECT PICKUP**. If you did not get a special mailing in December, please contact my office at 625-3100 to receive the appropriate information. Be sure to save your copy for future reference because you know how quickly your garage, basement or attic will fill up again.

PROJECT PICKUP dates for residents of the Crescent Hill area will be **March 22, June 28, September 27 and December 27**. Please have your items at the location where your garbage is picked up by 6:00 a.m. on that day. Crews will be picking up the special items throughout the week. Small junk items that are placed in garbage cans or bags will be picked up along with the regular garbage.

If you have any questions about the above program, please call my office at 625-3100 for more information.

Sincerely,

Melissa

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